

First Time Exemption Applications AND Exemption Renewals are DUE **MARCH 1st 2016**

REQUIREMENTS FOR EXEMPTIONS- 2016

*Must be primary residence

**Income must be collected for ALL OWNERS who reside at the property

NEW STAR ENHANCED over 65 yrs. old by 12/31/16

1. Completed Pink application (RP467)
2. Proof of ownership (Title or bill of sale for MFH*)
3. Driver's License with primary address on it
4. 2014 Federal Tax Form & IRA 1099s (for all owners)

If your 2014 income is greater than \$84,550,
you will automatically receive the Basic STAR

OR ALL 2014 end-of-year income statements for ALL OWNERS who reside at the property with the Income for STAR Purposes Worksheet (RP-425-Wkst)

RENEWAL for STAR ENHANCED (Renew Annually or sign up for the Income Verification Program)

1. Completed Yellow application (renewal-RP-425-Rnw)
 2. 2014 Federal Tax Form & IRA 1099s (for all owners)
OR ALL 2014 end-of-year income statements for ALL OWNERS who reside at the property with Income for STAR Purposes Worksheet (RP-425-Wkst)
 3. Social Security Statement if social security income is not on Federal Tax Form
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NEW BASIC STAR: Under 65 yrs. Old

1. Driver's License with primary residence on it
2. Proof of ownership (Title or bill of sale for MFH*)
3. Income less than \$500,000

No need to renew the Basic STAR until the
year you turn 65 (Ex. DOB: 12/12/16 You
must register BEFORE 3/1/16 to be eligible)

NEW AGRICULTURAL EXEMPTION

*Must farm at least 7 acres (total) and farmer must make at least \$10,000/yr or average of two years
OR farm less than 7 acres and the farmer's income is more than \$50,000/yr.

1. Completed Ag New Form (RP-305)
 2. Soil Survey from the Cornell Co-op 652-8480 in East Aurora
 3. Completed lease agreement (if not farming it themselves)
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RENEWAL for AGRICULTURAL EXEMPTION (Renew Annually)

1. Completed Green form w/ name of farmer, telephone #, signature on front & back of form and all boxes checked (RP-305-r)
 2. Schedule F Tax Return (required every other year for the farmer) to verify income
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NEW VETERAN EXEMPTION (No need to renew)

1. Completed Orange Veteran Exemption Form (RP-458)
 2. DD214 Papers
 3. Proof of residency (Driver's License) & proof of ownership (Bill of Sale/Title - MFH*)
 4. If Disabled Vet - Award letter with % disabled
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DISABILITY EXEMPTION (Renew Annually)

1. Completed White Disability Form (RP-459-c)
2. Award Letter (if **NEW** or **CHANGED**):
3. 2014 Federal Tax Return that verifies **income is less than \$32,400**

*MFH = Manufactured Home

ALL EXEMPTION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR TOWN WEBSITE AT www.erie.gov/newstead (on the Assessor's page)